

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Effective *October 1, 2000*

Application or Docket Number

09/835059

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

| | (Column 1) | (Column 2) |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| FOR | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA |
| BASIC FEE | | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | <i>41</i> minus 20 = * | <i>21</i> |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | <i>15</i> minus 3 = * | <i>12</i> |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT | | |

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

| | (Column 1) | (Column 2) | (Column 3) |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| AMENDMENT A | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA |
| Total | * <i>52</i> | Minus ** <i>41</i> | = <i>11</i> |
| Independent | * <i>12</i> | Minus *** <i>15</i> | = - |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | |

| | (Column 1) | (Column 2) | (Column 3) |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| AMENDMENT B | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA |
| Total | * | Minus ** | = |
| Independent | * | Minus *** | = |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | |

| | (Column 1) | (Column 2) | (Column 3) |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| AMENDMENT C | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA |
| Total | * | Minus ** | = |
| Independent | * | Minus *** | = |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | |

- * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
 - ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
 - *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
- The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐ OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

| RATE | FEE | | RATE | FEE |
|--------|---------------|----|--------|---------------|
| | \$ <i>355</i> | OR | | \$ <i>710</i> |
| X\$ 9= | <i>189.00</i> | OR | X\$18= | |
| X40= | <i>486.00</i> | OR | X80= | |
| +135= | | OR | +270= | |
| TOTAL | | OR | TOTAL | |

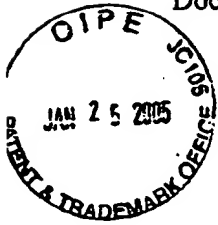
SMALL ENTITY OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

| RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE | | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
|------------------|----------------|----|------------------|----------------|
| | | OR | | |
| X\$ 9= | | OR | X\$18= | <i>550</i> |
| X40= | | OR | X80= | |
| +135= | | OR | +270= | |
| TOTAL ADDIT. FEE | | OR | TOTAL ADDIT. FEE | <i>880</i> |

| RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE | | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
|------------------|----------------|----|------------------|----------------|
| | | OR | | |
| X\$ 9= | | OR | X\$18= | |
| X40= | | OR | X80= | |
| +135= | | OR | +270= | |
| TOTAL ADDIT. FEE | | OR | TOTAL ADDIT. FEE | |

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|------------------|----------------|----|------------------|----------------|
| | | OR | | |
| X\$ 9= | | OR | X\$18= | |
| X40= | | OR | X80= | |
| +135= | | OR | +270= | |
| TOTAL ADDIT. FEE | | OR | TOTAL ADDIT. FEE | |



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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| In re Application of | : | Confirmation No.: 5951 |
| | : | |
| Mark Gray | : | Group Art Unit: 2154 |
| | : | |
| Serial No.: 09/835,059 | : | Examiner: Rafai, Ramsey |
| | : | |
| Filed: April 13, 2001 | : | |
| | : | |
| For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR | : | |
| DETERMINING | : | |
| INTERCONNECTIONS OF | : | |
| NETWORK DEVICES | : | |

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Mail Stop AMENDMENT
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed **October 22, 2004**, the shortened statutory period for which runs until **January 22, 2005**.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

There are no Specification Amendments. There are no Drawings Amendments.

Claim Amendments and Remarks are presented on separate sheets as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2.
- Remarks begin at page 15.

The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in light of the remarks after entry of the amendments.

limitations is not included at this time. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 2-5, 7-11, 13-15, 21-26, 32-37, 42-46, 47-49, 50-54, and 55-57 are allowable for the reasons given above with respect to Claims 1, 6, 12, 20, 31, 27, 28, 38, and 39.

CONCLUSION

Claims 17-19, 30, and 41 have been withdrawn from examination as the result of an earlier restriction requirement and thus have been cancelled herein, but the Applicant retains the right to present Claims 17-19, 30, and 41 in a divisional application.

The Applicant believes that all issues raised in the Office Action have been addressed and that allowance of the pending claims is appropriate. After entry of the amendments, further examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

For the reasons set forth above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is believed next in order, and that action is most earnestly solicited.


To the extent necessary to make this reply timely filed, the Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

If any applicable fee is missing or insufficient, throughout the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to any applicable fees and to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 21, 2005


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on Jan 21 2005 by Tracy Reynolds
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